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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Pat Wood, III, Chairman;  
Nora Mead Brownell, Joseph T. Kelliher,  
and Suedeene G. Kelly.

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| California Independent System<br>Operator Corporation | Docket No. ER04-445-004 |
| Pacific Gas and Electric Company                      | Docket No. ER04-443-003 |
| San Diego Gas and Electric Company                    | Docket No. ER04-441-003 |
| Southern California Edison Company                    | Docket No. ER04-435-005 |
| (Not Consolidated)                                    |                         |

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF EFFECTIVE DATE

(Issued January 5, 2005)

1. On December 30, 2004, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) and its Commission-jurisdictional Participating Transmission Owners (Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company (collectively, the PTOs)) filed a request seeking an immediate ruling regarding the effective date of their compliance filings under Commission Order No. 2003, *et seq.* Specifically, CAISO and the PTOs ask the Commission to confirm that the CAISO and PTO Compliance filings to be submitted on January 5, 2005 (January 5 compliance filings) will not become effective until after issuance of a Commission order accepting the filings, or in any event no sooner than 60 days after the January 5 compliance filings. CAISO and the PTOs argue that postponement of the effective date of the January 5 compliance filings will help prevent confusion and disruption of interconnections to the California ISO-controlled transmission grid. CAISO and the PTOs contend that, given the complex nature of these filings, there is a risk that the forms of agreement and the procedures ultimately approved for use in California may differ from those set forth in the compliance filings. They state that it would be burdensome and potentially disruptive for generators with projects in the queue during the interim period to have to adjust at a later time to new procedures or forms of agreement.

2. On January 3, 2005, State of California Electricity Oversight Board (Electricity Oversight Board) filed an answer to CAISO and the PTOs' motion. The Electricity Oversight Board supports postponing the effective date of the compliance filings until the Commission issues an order ruling upon the parties' Order Nos. 2003, 2003-A and 2003-B compliance submittals. The Electricity Oversight Board also requests that the Commission consolidate such compliance filings with the parties' future filings to comply with Order No. 2003-B.

### **Discussion**

3. We will grant CAISO and the PTOs' request that the January 5 compliance filings not be effective until after Commission review and approval. During the interim period, the existing CAISO and the PTOs' procedures regarding generator interconnections will continue to be in effect. At this time, we will not consolidate the Order No. 2003-B compliance filings with the January 5 compliance filings.

By the Commission.

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Linda Mitry,  
Deputy Secretary.